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June 24, 2004

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

10/718,645

Re: New U.S. Patent Application  
NAKAMURA et al  
Optical Fiber Component for Spot Size Transition  
and Method of Making the Same  
U.S. Filing Date: November 24, 2003  
Our Ref: MOR-C375

Sir:

The undersigned requests that he immediately be advised of the status of the captioned application which was filed on November 24, 2003. Copies of the covering filing papers and USPTO postcard receipt for the filing are attached hereto.

In telephone conversation on June 23, 2004, Mr. Preston Wallace of the Office of Initial Patent Examination advised the undersigned that the USPTO shows no record of receipt of the captioned application.

Respectfully submitted,

George A. Loud  
Reg. No. 25,814

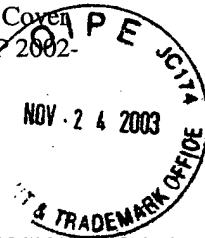


The "Received" Stamp of the USPTO imprinted hereon acknowledges the filing of:

Application of: NAKAMURA et al

Title: OPTICAL FIBER COMPONENT FOR SPOT SIZE  
TRANSITION AND METHOD OF MAKING THE SAME

20 Pages of Specification; Executed Declaration; credit card payment form for \$810.00; Executed Assignment; Recordation Form Cover Sheet; 3 Sheets of Formal Drawings; and certified copy of JP 2002-372525 and Preliminary Amendment





MOR-C375

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the (X) utility, ( ) design, ( ) plant patent application of:

INVENTORS: Nahoko NAKAMURA, Keiko SHIRAISHI, Tomotaka MURASE,  
Susumu OHNEDA

For: OPTICAL FIBER COMPONENT FOR SPOT SIZE TRANSITION AND  
METHOD OF MAKING THE SAME

Enclosed are:

(X) 20 pages of specification

(X) Abstract

(X) Oath or Declaration

(X) Power of Attorney

3 Sheets of (X) formal ( ) informal drawings

(X) An assignment of the application to: SHOWA ELECTRIC WIRE & CABLE CO.,  
LTD.

(X) Preliminary Amendment

( ) Information Disclosure Statement

( ) Change of Address

(X) Assignment Cover Sheet

( ) Petition to Make Special Under 37 CFR 1.102(c)

( ) Applicant is entitled to Small Entity Status

The filing fee is calculated as follows:

Basic Fee	Number Filed	Number Extra	Large Entity	Small Entity	Amount
Utility	XXX	XXX	\$ 770.00	\$ 385.00	\$ 770.00
Design	XXX	XXX	\$ 340.00	\$ 170.00	
Plant	XXX	XXX	\$ 530.00	\$ 265.00	
Total Claims	8 - 20 =		x \$18.00	X \$9.00	
Independent Claims	2-3 =		x \$86.00	x \$ 43.00	
Multiple Dependency			\$ 290.00	\$ 145.00	
Late Fee Surcharge			\$ 130.00	\$ 65.00	
Assignment Recordation			\$ 40.00		40.00
TOTAL FEE					\$ 810.00

( ) A check in the amount of \$ .00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

(X) A credit card payment form for the \$810.00 fee is enclosed herewith.

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( ) This application is filed under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.53, and does not include:

( ) Oath or Declaration

( ) Filing Fee

(X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-2174. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

(X) Any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16.

(X) Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

( ) The Issue Fee set in 37 CFR 1.18 at or before mailing of the Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.311(b).

(X) Priority is claimed under 35 USC 119 based on the following:

<u>Serial No.</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Date</u>
2002-372525	Japan	24 DEC 2002

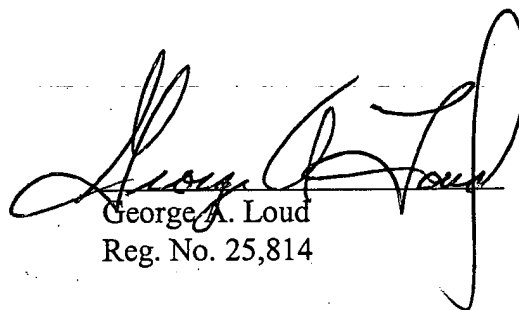
(X) Certified copy enclosed.

( ) Priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(e) based on the following U.S. Provisional Application:

<u>Serial No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
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( ) Priority is claimed under 35 USC 120 based on the following:

<u>Serial No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Status</u>
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Dated: November 24, 2003

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